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NOTES/COMMENTS:

Examiner Le,

As we discussed, please find attached a proposed itinerary for an interview on Serial No. 09/872,235. I would be available for an interview at your convenience.

Best Regards,

Chris Brokaw

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WIDE AREA NETWORK

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PROPOSED ITINERARY

Examiner Le:

I would appreciate the opportunity to elaborate, in a phone interview, the distinctions between what is shown by the cited art and the requirements of Claim 1. Please review the proposed itinerary and call me to schedule an interview on this patent application. I may be reached at 408-414-1225.

Interview Itinerary

1. I would like to discuss the problem the invention solves, and the manner in which embodiments of the invention solve the problem.

2. I would like to discuss the features of Claim 1. In particular, I would like emphasize the following features:
  - (a) the database services (managed by the first party) include services for storing and managing data provided by the second parties; and
  - (b) the second parties interact with the database system managed by the first parties by sending, to the database systems, database commands that conform to the database language supported by the system.
3. I would like to discuss how the features of Claim 1 are not shown by Kohl or Hokanson. For example, FIG. 3A of Kohl does not show web browser 200 interacting with DBMS 210. Also, the approach of Hokanson involves moving resources not provided by second parties from one location to another based on a cost/availability balance. If the data were actually provided by the second party, then the approach of Hokanson may undesirably move the data away from the second party, resulting in increased access time for the second party, which defeats the purpose of Hokanson.